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Major General Cornwallis

LETTERS have been this Day received from Majors General Needham and Sir James Duffe, dated at Gorey, the 5th instant, which state, that they had marched from their different Positions on the Night of the 4th, in order to surprise a large Body of REBELS posted at the *White Heaps*. The REBELS having moved early in the Morning of the 5th from their Post, were met by Sir James Duffe's Column at the *Wicklow Gap*, and, after a few Cannon Shot, they retreated.

Sir James Duffe pursued;—General Needham's Column was at too great a Distance for his Infantry to assist, but his Cavalry joined in the Pursuit, which continued for twelve Miles, when they were stopped on some rising Grounds: Here the Regiments under Sir James Duffe coming up, viz. the 89th, the *Louth*; and the *Leitrim*, with their Curricule Guns, the REBELS were put to Flight, with very considerable Slaughter, and dispersed in all Directions.

Major General Needham praises the good Conduct of his Aid-de-Camp Captain Moore. Sir James Duffe speaks in the highest Terms of the Zeal and spirited good Conduct of the Officers and Men under his Command, and ascribes his Success to the Exertions of the Commanding Officers of the different Corps, and Lieutenant Hemmings of the Artillery. The Loss of Sir James Duffe's Column was six Men killed, sixteen wounded, and six Horses killed.

It appears from other Letters, that on Sunday last a Patrole of Cavalry, under the Command of Colonel Puleston, was attacked on their March by a Body of REBELS from behind Hedges contiguous to the Road, and suffered some Loss in Men and Horses.

Major Ormsby, of the City of *Limerick* Militia, has reported from *Edenderry*, that on the 30th past, he had attacked a Body of about Three Hundred REBELS, with sixty Infantry and some Yeoman Cavalry, and entirely dispersed them, killing One Hundred. The Action took Place at *Poss Hill*, six Miles from *Edenderry*. Major Ormsby returns his Thanks to Captain Wakeley, Lieutenants Houghton, Tyrrell, and Barlow, and to Lieutenant Rogers, of the *Northumberland* Fencibles. His Detachment experienced only the Loss of two Horses.